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hallucination: An egg shape object appeared at around 8pm, it was silent and hovered in one spot before speeding off in a westerly direction. We have informed our superiors of this event'.

One witness, Jean Louis Fesseau, joked that his friends might laugh when they find out he saw a UFO but noted he 'spent thirty five years at sea and know what a flare or a helicopter look like.' 'I know what I saw' said Mr Fesseau who happily co-operated when contacted by the police.'A craft, all lit up in red and yellow, stayed fixed for quite a while -- about 12 seconds, before then disappearing again without a noise but at a tremendous speed' The 60-year old fisherman remarked. 'I would say the UFO was at about 600 metres from the coast and at a height of about 300 metres.'

The police will soon hand the file over to GEIPAN, France's official UFO investigative body, for further study.

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YEAR IN REVIEW 2009

Like the weather the Tasmanian UFO scene has been one of contrasts. Some encouraging reports and media coverage early in the year soon gave way to a period of drought. A sudden burst of events during one week in August, all around the Batman Bridge area brought the Centre back to action before the big dry quickly returned.

Investigations have been on a decline since 2005 with this years figure of 45 being the lowest since the early days of the Centre in 1968 (36 investigations). Another puzzle is only one unexplained cases has occurred in the south of the state in the past 4 years. (Murphys Flat near New Norfolk in August 2007). In the same time span about 20 UFO cases have occurred north of St Peters Pass.

Another noticeable change has been the number of orange/red light reports from mainly suburban areas. Almost 25% of investigations involve this type of event, a lot of time is spent taking details (even viewing said lights),

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when in all probability they are just hoax balloons (maybe Chinese lanterns). The advent of digital photography has seen the rise of pictures with blobs, dark shapes etc; being captured by the photographer even though nothing was seen at the time the picture was taking. Again the mundane explanation in most cases is a bird fleetingly caught in the field of view at the time the picture was snapped. TUFOIC's New Year wish has to be for a return of the UFO, enough so we can all be in the action, lets keep our fingers crossed.

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TUFOIC STATISTICS 2009

Unidentified	8
Astronomical	14
Aircraft	1
Satellites	6
Balloon /Fireworks	12
Others	4
TOTAL	45

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- **To investigate Tasmanian UFO reports.**
- **To publish details of UFO reports and maintain a UFO database.**
- **To distribute authentic information to members and fellow UFO organisations.**
- **Membership is open to all who support the aims of the Centre.**

Sightings.

Hadspen. 2009. Feb 5th. 11.30pm. Two witnesses in the backyard notice a pair of lights in the south west sky. A third light is then seen following the first two. The front lights switched the lead position, like they were leap frogging each other. The third light always remained behind and below; All three passed away into the north east and were lost from view after some 5 minutes.

St Peters Pass. 2009. Feb 21st. 9.30pm. Motorist with two passengers notice some lights as they approach St Peters

Pass on the Midland Hwy. Stopping at the rest area they see a group of 8 to 12 star like lights at about 30deg: elevation in the east. The lights are in an area about 3 hands wide but all moving about each other. They looked to move, blink out for a few seconds, come on again and move.

A patch of cloud gradually obscured the lights after some 5/10 minutes so the witnesses travelled on. However, they stopped to pick up a hitch-hiker at Jericho and briefly noticed a couple of the same or similar lights to the south.

March 1st. 2009. 10pm South Riana.

Witness out calling in her cat when she notices a blue ball of light at fence top height. The light is over a neighbour's laneway some 500m distant. Over a few minutes it moves back and forth above the fences. Then an increasing noise was heard as the light started to move off at low level towards the north-west. The swishing/jet noise continued as the light moving at speed was gone in 30 seconds. The final view was obscured by the corner of the witness' house.

Saturday Aug 8th. 1.30 Am. Bell Bay.

Shift worker reports seeing 4 orange lights in formation, two ahead, two at the side. The lights were moving overhead and away to the SW. The side lights seemed to move erratically as the lights receded into the distance. Viewed for 20 seconds.

Thursday Aug 13th. 5.30Am. Batman Bridge.

Witness travelling east to west over Batman Bridge. On the eastern approach he noticed a glow in the reserve area to the north of the bridge. He then saw two large bright white lights surrounded by 6 smaller lights. In a split second the lights shot straight up into the

sky. He heard a humming noise from inside his vehicle.

Phil Polden (North Rep :) was on site later that day but there was nothing to suggest an explanation in the Reserve or its car park. Phil talked to a man who was camped at the Reserve in his caravan. He claimed he had seen nothing but had an unusual experience that morning. He said that he is always up early but this morning he slept in until 8am. He woke feeling sweaty and that the van felt as if it was charged with static electricity. Even his normally friendly dog was jumpy and aggressive towards people and cars. This may have nothing to do with the morning's events but is still worth noting.

Thursday Aug 13th. 7Am. Batman Bridge.

Motorist heading east across the Batman Bridge sees an object over a paddock to the south of the bridge. It looks like an elongated pulsing light about the size of a bus. This object lets a smaller light drop to the ground. In the next instant the object shot straight up into the sky and disappeared. Visiting the sighting location Phil was assisted by the property owners who asked him to call at the house before he left. Nothing was located in the paddocks but the owner excitedly told of some lights he had just seen a short time earlier.

Thursday Aug 13th. 4.30Pm. Batman Bridge.

Resident at a farm just south of the bridge reports observing mystery lights. Four lights were seen in the sky over Mt Barrow, then after 20 seconds another 4 lights appeared above the first set only for a third row to appear above that. The lower lights were stationary but the top set moved and danced around. After 3 minutes the lights faded out.

Thursday Aug 13th. 10.30Pm.

Launceston City. Three witnesses see 2 lights moving overhead. One of the witnesses reports the event. He says the lights separated, one moving ahead of the other. The second light moved about in a zigzag manner, then in an instant caught up with the leading light in a second. The two lights again side by side receded to the south. Sighting lasted about 30 seconds.

UFO sighting in France confirmed by police .

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Police on the Isle of Oleron off the coast of France near the city of Bordeaux have confirmed that they are investigating a mass UFO sighting that took place on New Year's Eve. The authorities have interviewed at least three independent witnesses and believe that their testimonies are reliable. The Police officer handling the initial investigation, Lieutenant Bourdajau, noted that 'The testimonies of witnesses seem to verify that this was not a